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Please amend the Abstract as follows. A clean version of the amended abstract is provided at page 23.

--An original information sequence is encoded [[(E1)]] by means of an error correcting code. There, there is associated [[(E2)]] with the encoded sequence K frequency symbols in a space consisting of a series of 2^p increasing frequencies, each of the K symbols representing N encoded symbols, with p, K and N being strictly positive integers. There, there is applied [[(E3)]] to the K symbols a reversible transformation including a multiplication by an invertible matrix of size $N \times N$, [[;]] and signals obtained from the inverse transform signals are sent [[(E4)]]]. There exists a K-tuplet of positive integers n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k at least one of which is strictly positive, such that, for an integer I varying from 1 to K, after periodic extraction of one frequency out of 2^{n_i} amongst among the frequencies of the i^{th} of the K symbols, thus forming a reduced frequency symbol of 2^{p-n_i} frequencies, K reduced frequency symbols are obtained, representing the original information sequence, with a view to complete or partial decoding. Figure 11--